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SUBJ: ZIMBABWE DEVELOPMENT FUND

1. BRITISH HAVE GIVEN US TEXT OF ACTING HIGH
COMMISSIONER'S TELEGRAM REPORTING HIS CONVERSATION
YESTERDAY WITH EXTAFF OFFICIALS ON ZIMBABWE
DEVELOPMENT FUND.

2. BEGIN TEXT: AFTER CONSULTING U.S. AMBASSADOR,
I SOUGHT AN APPOINTMENT WITH MR. JAMIESON, WHO
REGRETTED THAT PRE-CHRISTMAS PRESSURE OF CABINET
AND PARLIAMENTARY BUSINESS PREVENTED HIS RECEIVING
THE LETTER PERSONALLY. I, THEREFORE, DELIVERED
IT TODAY TO SHENSTONE, DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF AFRICAN
AFFAIRS, WHO SAID THAT MR. JAMIESON HAD GIVEN
INSTRUCTIONS THAT THE LETTER AND DEPARTMENTAL ADVICE
WERE TO BE ON HIS DESK TOMORROW SO THAT ACTIVE
CONSIDERATION OF THE PROPOSAL COULD START RIGHT AWAY.

3. SPEAKING PERSONALLY AFTER A QUICK PERUSAL OF
THE LETTER AND ITS ENCLOSURES, SHENSTONE SAID
THAT THEY DEALT WITH MANY OF THE QUESTIONS
CANADIAN OFFICIALS HAD BEEN ASKING THEMSELVES.

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THESE INCLUDED THE REACTION OF CANADIAN PUBLIC
OPINION TO ANY APPARENT SUBSIDY OF THE EUROPEAN
COMMUNITY IN RHODESIA AND A POSSIBLE CONFLICT
BETWEEN EXISTING AID PROGRAMMES IN SOUTHERN AFRICA
AND A SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION FOR RHODESIA/ZIMBABWE.
A CANADIAN CONTRIBUTION OF THE ORDER OF SIX PERCENT

TO THE FUND SPREAD IN THE MANNER SUGGESTED NEED NOT,
AT FIRST SIGHT, PRODUCE ANY SUCH CONFLICT. HE
WAS PLEASED TO SEE THAT MEMBERS OF PEC WERE AMONG
THE COUNTRIES APPROACHED. SUBJECT TO READING
CAREFULLY THE FINE PRINT, SHENSTONE CONSIDERED THE
PROPOSAL WELL THOUGHT OUT AND A GOOD START. END TEXT.
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